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Federal Opportunities

Advanced Rehabilitation Research Training. *The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)* announces funds to recruit and select candidates for advanced research training; and to provide a training program, research experience, academic mentorship, and opportunities for participation in the development of professional presentations and publications. Eligible applicants include institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is November 24, 2003. Approximately \$750,000 is available to fund 3-5 awards up to \$150,000. For further information, contact Donna Nangle at (202) 205-5880 or donna.nangle@ed.gov; or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-24299.htm>.

Field Initiated Projects. *The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)* announces funds to develop methods, procedures, and rehabilitation technology that maximize integration into society, employment, independent living, family support, and economic and social self-sufficiency of individuals with disabilities. Eligible applicants include states, public or private agencies, for-profit agencies/organizations, and institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is December 9, 2003. Approximately \$4.5 million is available to fund 30 awards up to \$150,000. For further information, contact Donna Nangle at (202) 205-5880 or donna.nangle@ed.gov; or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-24299.htm>.

District Opportunities

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are still available at http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.shtml for the following notices:

The Historic Preservation Office (HPO), Grant-In-Aid, due October 17, 2003, at 3pm.

The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), due December 15, 2003, at 5pm.

The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial Property Acquisition and Development Program (CP-A&D), due December 15, 2003, at 5pm.

Foundation Opportunities

Childhood Hunger. *The ConAgra Foundation* focuses most of its charitable resources on fighting childhood hunger in America through the ConAgra Feeding Children Better program. This initiative focuses on three areas: safe havens for children to get nourishing meals, overcoming logistics hurdles for food banks, and public awareness. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations that have been in existence for at least one year. The deadline for applications is October 31, 2003. Written requests for funding should be addressed to: The ConAgra Foundation, CC-305, ConAgra, Inc., One

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ConAgra Drive, Omaha, NE 68102-5001. For further information, go to:
http://www.conagrafoods.com/leadership/community_guidelines.jsp.

Children. *The Gannett Foundation's* priorities for the Washington area include education, at-risk youth, families in crisis, and services for special populations. Eligible applications include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is January 15, 2004. The average grant amount is between \$4,000-\$6,000. For further information, contact the Foundation at (703) 854-6069 or (703) 854-2002-fax; or go to:
<http://www.gannettfoundation.org/defactsheet.htm>.

Mental Illness. *The Nick Traina Foundation (NTF)* supports organizations involved in the diagnosis, research, treatment, and/or family support of manic-depression, suicide prevention, child abuse and children in jeopardy, and provides assistance to struggling musicians in the areas of health and mental illness. The NTF may give special consideration to proposals that address manic-depression in children and young adults. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. There are no deadlines for applications. Grants range from \$5,000-\$25,000. For further information, contact NTF at info@nicktrainafoundation.org, (415) 771-4224, or P.O. Box 470427, San Francisco, CA 94147-0427; or go to:
<http://www.nicktrainafoundation.org/main.htm>.

Strong Communities. *The Wachovia Foundation* seeks to build strong and vibrant communities, improve the quality of life, and make a positive difference where its employees work and live. The foundation makes grants in the areas of education, community and economic development, arts and culture, and health and human services. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. There are no deadlines. For further information, contact Anita Wynn at (804) 697-7231, anita.wynn@wachovia.com, or 1021 E. Cary Street, VA 9603, Richmond, VA 23219; or go to:
<http://www.wachovia.com/inside/page/0,,139.00.html>

Ward 1 Social Justice. *The All Souls-Beckner Advancement Fund* was established to: enhance the influence of All Souls Church in the Washington Metropolitan area; help to make the immediate

community where the Church is located a more cohesive, attractive and forward looking community; and foster human rights and dignity. The Fund is grounded in a commitment to social change philanthropy and seeks to fund efforts that work for social justice. Eligible applicants include organizations that meet the following criteria: established 501(c)(3) or new organizations/projects that have access to a 501(c)(3) fiscal sponsor; located in and serving Ward 1 (city-wide organizations carrying out substantive and targeted work in Ward 1 will not be excluded); and have budgets less than \$1 million annually. The deadline for Letters of Intent (LOI) is October 16, 2003. Grants range between \$5,000-\$10,000. Submit completed application to All Souls-Beckner Advancement Fund, 1500 Harvard Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009. For further information, contact All Souls Church, Beckner Information line, at (202) 332-5266 x18 or becknerfund@yahoo.com; or go to: <http://www.all-souls.org/socialjustice/grants/beckner.htm>.

Resources & Announcements

5th Annual Public-Private Partnership Conference. *The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD), in partnership with the Washington Council of Agencies (WCA),* will hold the 5th Annual Public-Private Partnership conference at the GWU Marvin Center on October 21, 2003. This year's theme will be "Partnerships: Creating Opportunities for All." The all day conference will include informational and "how to" sessions on a variety of topics such as area funding trends and strategies, e-grants, technology, board development, evaluation, and more. The cost will be \$45. For more information on the sessions and to register, contact WCA at (202) 457-0540; or go to:
<https://www.regonline.com/Checkin.asp?EventId=10140>.

19th Annual Mayor's Arts Awards. *The DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities* is accepting nominations of artists, arts organizations, or arts patrons for the 19th Annual Mayor's Arts Awards. For further information and to obtain a nomination form, call (202) 724-5613; or go to:
<http://dcarts.dc.gov/main.shtm>.

Education Funding. *The Foundation Center* will host a variety of special events during its Funding for

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Education Month – October 2003. Students and parents seeking scholarship information, educational institutions looking for funding, and nonprofit organizations supporting education in the community can find information on the month-long itinerary of events, special features, and links to resources by visiting:

<http://www.fdncenter.org/focus/education/#washington>.

Federal Government Grant Find and Apply Initiatives. *The e-Grants Initiative (also called Grants.gov)* is one of 24 e-Government programs that the Federal Government has mandated as part of the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999. This government-wide initiative calls for the development of a one-stop electronic grant portal where potential grant recipients will receive full service electronic grant administration. Grants.gov's "Find Grant Opportunities" (FIND) feature is now available. This newest addition to the Grants.gov site allows you to search for information on competitive grant opportunities from all 26 federal grant-making agencies from one location. You can also register to be notified automatically of future grant opportunities as they are added to the site. After October 1, 2003, all competitive grant announcements will be posted on Grants.gov. The "Apply for Grants" (APPLY) feature allows grantors to post grant application packages and grant seekers to access and submit applications – all in a single, online location. The APPLY feature will be launched on October 31, 2003. The Grants.gov team has created a range of online customer support tools to help grantors and grant seekers transition from current processes to using Grants.gov. For more information, go to the site - www.Grants.gov - or contact 1-800-518-GRANTS or support@grants.gov.

Free Credit Card Equipment. *VeriFone and NPC* are offering free reconditioned credit card terminals to nonprofits since the cost of buying or leasing credit card machines has deterred many groups from accepting credit card payments. For further information, go to: <http://www.techsoup.org/DiscounTech/dtjumppages/verifone/reasons.asp>.

Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC).
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(OPGD) provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The GIRC provides technical assistance that connects DC Government agencies, nonprofit and faith-based organizations to information about resources that improve community services in the city. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but does require an appointment. **Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.**

New Federal Grant Application Requirement. *The Office of Management and Budget (OMB)* has directed all federal agencies to require all federal grant applicants to provide a Dun and Bradstreet (D&B) Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number when applying for federal grants or cooperative agreements. The DUNS number, which will help to improve the statistical reporting of federal grants and cooperative agreements, will be required whether an applicant is submitting a paper or electronic application. DUNS numbers will be required as of October 1, 2003. Organizations can receive a DUNS number at no cost by calling the dedicated toll-free DUNS Number request line at 1-866-705-5711 or by visiting <http://www.dnb.com/us/>.

Young Artists. *The DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities* is accepting applications from residents ages 18-30 for the Young Artists Grant Program. For further information or to obtain an application form, call (202) 724-5613; or go to: <http://dcarts.dc.gov/main.shtm>.

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